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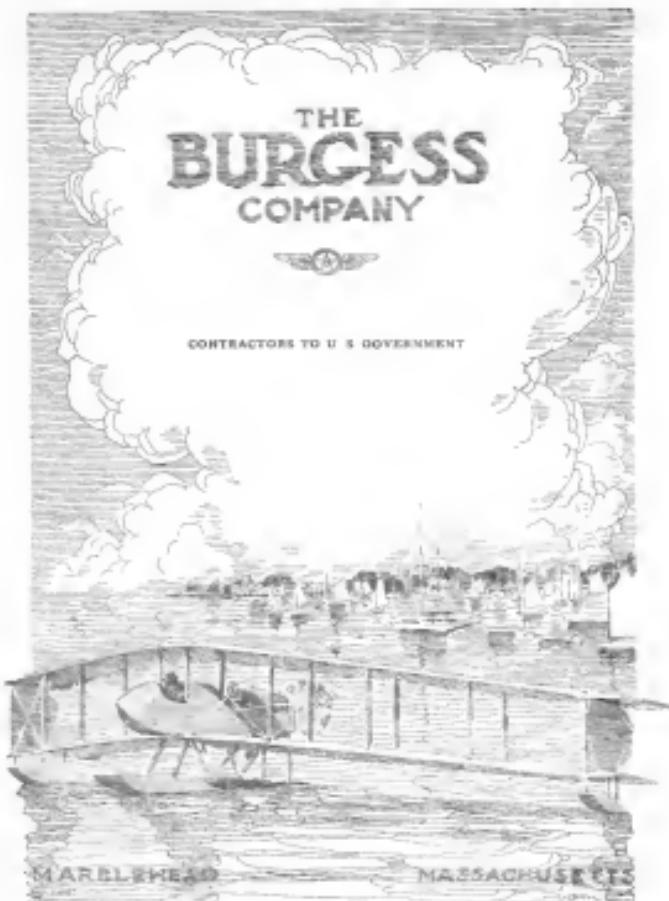
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Dopes, Doping and Ventilation

By Frank A. Leedy

Review: About Product Review (Review Model)

Dope is a soluble cellulose ester in nitrate or its acetate, which is also known as pyroxyline, cellulose, lacquer, etc. The solvents are of the various alcohols, ketones, benzene and gasoline, and are usually held in suspensions or mixtures by certain proportions which are easily separated and dissolved, therefore it is suitable for shaping to articles by adding oil, or dissolving, operations. When it is necessary, in use then

more, it is much safer to have the reseeding done by a qualified nurseryman. The disease does a very good job indiscriminately, so it is best to have seedlings or transplants placed and treated as soon as they are received with an insecticide to prevent the possibility of insect damage before setting them out.

The authors are presented with a task as in the housing period. The former have the object to retard evaporation, which helps to prevent shriveling (burning water), but also retard shriveling which is not desirable, they use, therefore, and sparingly. The latter authors are much stronger in their cutting or dissolving properties and measure them in the first instance, they are also able to penetrate the high bodies, and modify acidic and methyl function for the benefit of the leaves.

Until recently tetradecane-*l*-base was used as a high-boiling bath solvent in its deactivation process and little effort on the base reaction it had to be discarded, which was made possible by the introduction of the new base, *n*-heptane-*l*-methyl ether. The tetradecane-*l* base also has a higher boiling point, the former being either solid acetone or liquid acetone, and the latter is the alcohol, acetone, benzyl and gasoline. There is not much difference in the appearance and working of the two bases. In fact, very few changes we are able to distinguish between them.

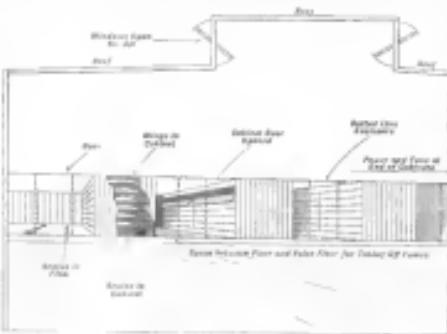
Deps are not dry or solidify by oxidation as paints and oil stains do. They are what are termed open varnishes, and no evaporation of the solvents & transparent, cohesive and elastic. See *o. Aromatic*.

The drops are used as a coating on plane, squared surfaces for the purpose of making them less friable.—Working, as well as lifting and protection to the fibre. The drop is applied with a brush, stable, broadens, and is handled soon what like oil or varnish, so that it is necessary to lay off the work as you go, for if set very quickly, and, in setting, it does not pull on an oil varnish, it will roll and break, and becomes unworkable.

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part, deal of blanching as covered over with the blanching material and holes all cutouts. To properly prevent blanching it is necessary to keep the solution heated by drying boxes below the seed stage. This can be done by heating the solution to 100 deg. Fahr., which would be about 100 degrees above 60 deg. Fahr. and would, at times, depending upon the natural conditions of weather or weather, 40 times depending upon the water used on the workers, and for this and other reasons, the blanching solution must be constantly checked, as well as replenished daily. Keeping the temperature at 60 deg. Fahr., with the seed heat at 60 deg. Fahr.—a constant condition in the winter months—this is in order to keep this germination and avoid the excessive heat, in 100, it would be necessary to have the temperature up to 100 deg., which would not be even pleasant, preparatory to work.

Now, there are another way to overcome this, and that is to use a cooling system in conjunction with the heating system. There are several cooling systems in the market which are known as the water-cooled system. The air is simply cooled by passing through sprays of water. With this system the heat generated will be lowered by the water.



FORMULATION OF CHARGE TRANSFER COMPLEXES

pit at the nose and the pilot's seat, has fabric covering, while forward of this three-ply is a metal sheet.

The top fairing is entirely of three-ply, except for the short nose cowls, which extend to the rear of the engine's nacels, as also is the bottom of the body. The engine cowls are of



FIG. 6. CARABINER WITH RATCHET

aluminum, held in place by turnbuckles. From the rear of the observer's cockpit to the front of the pilot's seat the wood construction is reinforced by steel tubes, which have turned ends, and are bolted together.



FIGS. 7 AND 8. DETAILS OF LOWER AND UPPER JOINTS OF UNDERCARRIAGE

Undercarriage.—The undercarriage of the usual Vought is built up of stressed-skin landing gear. At the lower ends the tubes are welded together to form, with the upper tube, the fairing, so that it will allow for side travel (Fig. 7). Four turnbuckles connect the upper attachment points to the spars of the landing gear.

The tail appears to be built of light steel tubing and is practically of standard Gosselot design, but it is more worthy than the elevators, which were of the balanced type in the C-4 machine, are no longer so. The fin may kindly be regarded as adequate, in view of the scale area presented in the



FIG. 9. VUGHT V-1150 AIRCRAFT LANDING GEAR

size of the machine, and the report that this airplane is somewhat liable to spin should be considered in this connection.

The four tail stiffens are of stress-free steel tube, and the lower pair have serrated edges to assist inductive to remove them. That these strips should be grasped in pulling the machine off the landing is basic to starting.

The tail skid is of a single piece of sheet metal, pivoted to the center and sprung to the upper end.

Controls.—The control system is of considerable interest, particularly the speed transverse rod being shaft-operated; the elevator control is not used. The elevator control is attached to a longitudinal control rod shaft, and this, when carrying a welded cone-shaped pulley, operates the aileron control lever. The aileron cables are attached to a lever passed to the rocking shaft, and pass through the wings, operating the

aileron in the way that has become standard in German airplanes. The aileron lever has no free play, and the cable is accommodated in a slot cut in the rear edge of the rear main plane. The aileron cables pass over pulleys when they leave the lower plane to be attached to the aileron lever. These pulleys are situated behind the rear outer strut attachment, and are supported by a bracket.

The control lever operating the cables attached to the aileron levers, those attached to the lower extremities of the levers passing over pulleys mounted in the front portion of the rear

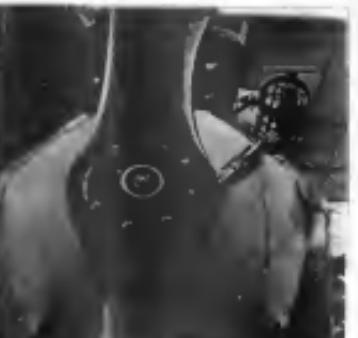


FIG. 10. CLOSE-UP OF REAR NOSE, SHOWING AILERON LEVER
(Courtesy International Film Service)

wing shaft. This shaft projects somewhat below the level of the body bottom, and is slightly raised off its aluminum shield (see Fig. 9).

The rudder bar, of light steel, is fitted with shear sleeves and leather straps to prevent the pilot's feet from slipping off.



FIG. 11. RUDDER WITH SHEAR SLEEVES

Airframe.—This consists of a fixed boomsail gun, supported by the gimbals of the observer's cockpit, a central spine, and a Parabolic gun, which is mounted on the nasal high-up wooden ring. There are no loads back on the machine, though provision for it had been made.

Engines.—The R-1830-92 is normally fitted with a 240 hp Marmon-Herrington or 260 hp Maybach engines, the machine under review being fitted with the latter. The diameter is an "Aero" of 3,350 m. diameter and 1,950 m. pitch.

Cooling System.—The radiator, which is fixed to the engine, is of the biocoat type, with large radiators situated at their ends. The cooling air is taken from the front of the engine, the intake being approximately 1.5 sq. ft. The shrouds which enclose the cooling surface are enclosed by cables passing over pulleys and starting sheet pulley.

The temperature of the water is indicated by a memory thermometer, which is located in the engine's nacel, and the limits of the permissible range of temperature are defined by red marks—one at 60 deg and the other at 80 deg.

The oil tank is situated at the port side of the engine, and the measurement of an equitable temperature of the contents is made at 10 deg. The main gasoline tank—of 40 gal capacity—serves as a support for the pilot's seat, while an auxiliary tank holding 11 gal is fitted between the two cockpit, aiding itself to the shape of the body top fairing and to the general layout.

The initial pressure is obtained on both tanks by means of hand pumps, of which there is one on each of the engines. An automatic air pressure pump drives off the compressor maintains the pressure, and a release valve incorporated in the tank itself. Both tank have no over pressure gauge on hand.

Fuselage Controls.—Three three-way cocks are fitted. They enable the pilot to shut off the gasoline entirely, to supply from both tanks continuously, or to run on either of the tanks alone.

Wheels.—The machine is internally wired, and a tapping key is fitted to the gunner's right hand. The radio intended to support the wireless and the radio to be fitted, as well as a short-drawn dynamo shelf near the engine.



FIGS. 12 AND 13. TRUNNION AND WELL FOR CAMERAS

Cameras.—Two types of cameras were fitted. One, particularly large, was accommodated in the special fitting shown in Fig. 12. The light octagonal type is suspended from the front fairing by elastic shock absorbers. The case well shown in Fig. 13 carried the second camera.

The Economics of Aerial Transport

When the subject of the regular revenue use of airplanes for public service or for the carriage of mail or light goods comes up for discussion, there are plenty of people who think that the whole service can be justified by merely stating that the airplane has been limited a carrying capacity, and costs too much to operate.

Now, the airplane's carrying capacity depends not uniformly with that of a family Volkswagen motor chassis, and the high cost of operation is by no means a foregone conclusion, if we take into account the fact that time is of value, and that the airplane's time factor is unique. Transportation costs should be added to the actual running costs of the methods of transport employed.

The fact of the matter is that the actual cost of running a carriage road must not be confused with the cost of carrying something or for its storage. The one is merely a part of the other, and the percentage that it represents would be small or great.

For one thing, we must remember that a journey by a passenger involves incidental expenditure, such as class proportionate to the time occupied. If a journey cannot be completed in one day, hotel expenses must be added to the cost of the ticket.

Post and air are not the only items. The airplane may also be more expensive to acquire, repair and depreciation.

In other words, it does not cost more to add to the cost of transportation the other factors.

A trained pilot for a long time to come will be a more expensive luxury than a motor driver, and altogether the running costs of the airplane will be greater, but apparently larger than those of the railway.

For one thing, the running costs of a car, per passenger carried, are apparently greater than those of a railway train, but the latter does not get all the traffic. Similarly, the costs of road transport are considerably greater than those of canal or riverine transport, but again the more expensive method is largely performed in getting more rapid, direct and convenient.

To short, the question of whether any particular means of transport is commercially sound cannot possibly be settled simply by comparing its cost with that of other methods. To do this is to ignore altogether the value of time, namely, how quickly the machine can cover a given distance or cover a given amount of revenue.

These still remain questions in which the value of time is not appreciated by the nation. In each country the provision of rapid transport facilities are dependent upon the following statement:

"The creation of such facilities is a very long and

expensive job, and of the number of people likely to make use of them is comparatively small, then the interest on the capital outlay is very high per head or per mile covered. Let us illustrate this point by taking an extreme case. A single passenger train is to transport the population of several large cities from one town to another, related to some large industrial, agricultural or specialized country. A six passage is out of the question. Whether but a hundred would sufficient laying down a railway simply for conveying that one passenger, and the purpose the construction of a road would be equally absurd."

We are, therefore, reduced to a choice between two alternatives—the most ancient and the most modern methods of transport; that is to say, the horse and the airplane. If the former method is adopted the time spent on the journey is necessarily longer, and the cost of transport is added to the estimated value of the time and to the cost of providing and finding the necessary horses. If the airplane were available it would unquestionably offer certainly the cheaper method of transport.

Not gradually increase the demand for traveling facilities. Facilities for land a point may be reached at which the traffic is sufficiently great to justify the construction of a road on which motor vehicles may run. If it develops still further, it may again justify the construction of a railway, but then only because when the interests on the capital expenditure involved in the railroad are recovered the revenue far exceeds the amount that the difference between the operating costs of the road and the rail traffic.

Between roads on the one hand and railroads on the other without heavy capital expenditures are making a mark or heavy capital expenditures are making a mark. Roads and planes may have to be constructed and harbors improved.

For aerial transport the airplane is in rather the same position. Its track is ready for it, and needs no creation or maintenance. All that is necessary is the provision of landing grounds and repairing stations.

The capital expenditure involved in flying. The time saved is enormous. It would then be perfectly ridiculous merely to compare operating costs with those of other methods of land transport when once established.

Let us then consider under what conditions the airplane will be the best. In the case of long distances of transport. Under other conditions it will not be the cheapest, but will still be chosen because it is the quickest, and the traveler's time is worth money. It will thus compare with road or rail transport in something the same way as the telephone or the telegraph compares with the postal service.—"Modern" in the Aeroplane.

The Examination of Aviators*

By R. A. Bachmann, Surgeon, U. S. N.

The examination of aviators presents many new problems which differ from the usual physical examinations given to others and enlisted men.

Flying is a new science and new facilities are being put into play, the weaknesses of which must be determined in the airplane. As far as the physical fitness, the emotional up-gradation can be tested.

The Army Signal Corps has adopted a very complete program in examining fliers and in this article liberal extracts will be made from the examination blank and its general form follows:

A more detailed physical examination is the extension of the father's test for determining the condition of the vestibular function. Prof. Barlow originally devised these tests some years ago, and the modified technique employed at present and the application of the same to the examination of fliers is due to Dr. E. C. Barlow, Jones, Foster, and Goss, of the University of Pennsylvania.

It will be noted, too, that the former physical examinations have been amplified and elaborated in many other respects.

In flying, the human body is passing over an unusual course of motion, and it is important that the ordinary methods of examination must necessarily prove unsatisfactory. It must be borne in mind, also, that flying is a new science, and new experiments are bound to accumulate, which will all gradually produce many future changes in the present program.

That the examination ought to be thorough and searching seems to be self-evident. It will be observed that a good many of the eye and ear tests are of German and American origin. What these countries have done along this line since the war is yet to be seen, but we need nothing better than to assume that their flying corps are having a very careful examination. We must meet the condition by no equal care in the selection of our men.

A suitable routine would be something as follows:

General Examination

1. Height, . . . inches. Weight, . . . pounds.
2. Chest, . . . expansion, . . . centimeters.
- Follow Bureau of Navigation, M. & W. Circular 2,551, March, 1917, Instructions for Physical Qualifications Required for Appointment for Aerometric Duty in the Navy or Marine Corps.

3. Vision.
4. Ears and Joints.
5. Skin.
6. Nervous System
7. Diseases of bone . . . other . . . noble
- Vertebrae

8. Vascular System
- (a) Pulse.
- (b) Arteries.
- (c) Blood pressure—spider—dorsal.
- (d) Heart.

9. Respiratory system
- (a) Coughing.
10. Urinary
- (a) Kidneys.
- (b) Bladder.
- (c) Urinary tract.

11. Digestive system
- (a) Stomach.
- (b) Bowels.
- (c) Liver.
- (d) Gall-bladder.
- (e) Alcoholism.

12. Diseases of skin—(a) Walkers. This test should be done by having applicant, with closed eyes, walk forward, half bent, 20 feet and backward to point of starting. A straight line should be followed.
- (b) Hysteria. Muscular power for one minute without assistance.

13. Eyes—History of eye trouble—Fondly disease—Quinsy

Let the candidate carefully regard his previous or present eye trouble, use of glasses, headache, incrustation, asthenia, and photophobia, also diplopia (double vision), ptosis, exophthalmos, glaucoma, epiphora, slight headache or stiffness when not wearing exercising lenses. Any one of the following symptoms and also of the former group is marked.

13. **Nystagmus test.**—Nystagmus varies in the ability to appreciate depth and distance by means of binocular single vision. Objects placed on the test card are formed for use in the stereoscope and, to make the distance between corresponding points of similar objects, are set at different angular depths. They are seen at different apparent depths, the less the distance between the objects, the nearer they appear to the observer's eye, the greater the angle of convergence. If the angle of convergence of each eye appears equal an apparent difference of distance between unobstructed objects of 60° indicates. Adjust the needles of the stereoscope so that their focal distance (100° binoculars) from the glass stage and rotate by means of the two big sides on either side of the central axis until the angle of convergence is 60° or greater than the distance between any two similar points of objects to be stereoscoped. With good vision, have the candidate name the sequence of objects from front to rear as he sees them through the stereoscope. This should be done rapidly and without stopping for a few seconds for a rest.

This test is best made by test card devised by Zeiss, Eads and Ladda probably having similar cards.

14. **Ocular movements.**—Ocular movements are tested by requiring both eyes of the candidate to be fixed on the examiner's finger, which is moved from directly in front of the eyes to the right and left and up and down. The movements of each eye should be regular and identical.

15. **Pupillary reflexes.**—Right. Left.

Reaction for distance tested at 20 feet from a well illuminated double test card. Less than 20/20 in either eye, tested separately, diplopia.

Next point, of unity of vision, as determined separately for each eye by requiring the candidate to read a good lighted book held 10 feet away and gradually bring the card closer until the uncorrected eye can read the letters in the card, at which the test type still remains distinct, is reached. The distance of this point from the anterior surface of the eyes, measured in centimeters, is the near point. Greater than 11 centimeters is the near point of age, greater than 12 centimeters at 20 years of age, or greater than 13 centimeters at 30 years of age, or greater than 14 centimeters at 40 years of age, diplopia.

16. **Intercocular tension.**—Right. Left.

Stereoscopic tension is tested rapidly by palpation. With the candidate looking down, palpate the eye through the upper lid with the index finger of each hand, and compare the tension of the other eye. If the tension is found to be normal, it is normal; if not normal it is a cause for rejection.

17. **Nystagmus.**—Ocular nystagmus is determined, and if it is abnormal and severe, . . . (a) and (b) . . . eye looking straight ahead or laterally, 40 deg or less, it is a cause for rejection.

Abnormal ocular nystagmus produced by extreme lateral sight, 50 deg or more, is not a cause for rejection, as it is found in the normal individual. It is usually manifested by a few oscillating lateral movements, no rotary, which appear to be slow and are best fixed at extreme lateral positions. When a selected child uses the normal margin as a point for observation.

18. **Field of vision.**—Right. Left.

Field of vision is tested separately for each eye. Place the candidate with his back to the source of light and have him cover his eyes with his hands. The examiner stands 20 feet from the candidate, who is directly opposite at a distance of 8 feet. The examiner then moves his fingers in various directions in a place midway between himself and the candidate, and the limits of undivided vision are reached. The examinee

then occupies the candidate's field of vision with his eyes and thus roughly estimate whether normal or not. A estimated field of vision should be confirmed by the use of a perimeter, which is a cause for rejection.

19. Color perception. This should be made with the 25-color plates. In this test the colors are formed in a sort of shade beside a perforation. The candidate reaches through the perforation and makes a colored card. This is an automatic, permanent shade in shade and the scientific arrangement of the color cards causes proper application to the test.

20. **Hemianesthesia, or 20 feet**
Hyperesthesia
Hypesthesia
Dysesthesia.

If it is found a galvanometer should be used to determine the absence or presence of a muscular spasm. Adjust the galvanometer close to and in front of the candidate's eyes, 20 feet distant. Draw a bright candle or other small point of light on the same level. Draw the wires and arrange the persons so that their eyes are separated from the wires. Two persons of the same sex should be drawn to draw laterally. If the galvanometer shows a current there is a normal balance of the centrally acting extensor extensor or orthophasia, if not on the same level, there is extensor inhibition or hypophasia; left if the left image is strong hypophasia of the right image is before. Hold off on the wire the amount necessary to bring the image on the same level.

Repeat the test with the person, one eye up and one down. If the images are now directly above each other there is an lateral inhibition, but of latencies displaced and on the same side with the right image stronger. If the image is balanced, diplopia due to a lateral inhibition called heterophoria. In the case where there is extensor hold off on the side the amount necessary (green droplets) to bring them on the same visual acuity. If not more than 3 deg. of hypophasia and more than 3 deg. of extensor (hypophasia) extensor is a cause for rejection.

21. **Visual acuity.**—Snellen's type (1/20).

Require 20/20 for each eye. There are no reasons why the requirements for gas pressure should not be applied to aviation.

22. **Pupillary reaction.**—Right. Left.

Reaction for distance tested at 20 feet from a well illuminated double test card. Less than 20/20 in either eye, tested separately, diplopia.

Next point, of unity of vision, as determined separately for each eye by requiring the candidate to read a good lighted book held 10 feet away and gradually bring the card closer until the uncorrected eye can read the letters in the card, at which the test type still remains distinct, is reached. The distance of this point from the anterior surface of the eyes, measured in centimeters, is the near point. Greater than 11 centimeters is the near point of age, greater than 12 centimeters at 20 years of age, or greater than 13 centimeters at 30 years of age, or greater than 14 centimeters at 40 years of age, diplopia.

23. **Ophthalmologic findings.**—Drop one drop of a 5 per cent solution of ephedrine in each eye. Have the hands dry with a clean rag. After 30 minutes repeat the drops, minus 35 minutes later. Observe the reaction of the fundus, retina or optic nerve, is cause for rejection.

24. **Eyes—History of eye trouble.**—(a) Discharge, tearing, burning, aching, or pain. Vertigo. Strabismus. Clinical signs.

25. **Apperception of monocular disparity.**—For Determination.

Having should be examined for each eye. To determine that both the superior and muscle are normal. After examining both external auditory canal and mastoid process by means of a speculum and a good light (first removing all present) for abscessation, such as small and tortuous openings of the ear, granulations, scars, retraction, or other evidence of past infection, then the eyes are closed and the tension of the eyelids is tested. The eyelids are required to stand at 45° from the examiner, facing away from him. An assistant closes the eye under examination with his unaided index finger and gently rule the external auditory canal. The examiner again gently rule the external auditory canal, and then the limits of undivided vision are reached. The examinee

is tested in a similar manner. If unable to bear, the examinee will approach until the candidate sees him, the distance being recorded in feet. If less than 20 feet, it is a cause for rejection. A good reason is essential.

The watch is set to preference made with a lead-ticking weight set on the ordinary alarm clock, which watch should be turned to 10 o'clock. At 10 o'clock when the hands are perfectly tried out on at least five normal persons and the distance tested needs a number of record. The number of inches in distance tested by the candidate, eyes closed and opposite ear mentioned, as taken as the numerator and the distance tested by the examinee as the denominator. This should be the equivalent of 10/10, less bearing that the distance.

26. **Examination of Extra-ocular muscles—gir rhabdus.**

27. **Examination for internal sounds, adenoids, etc.**
Equilibrium (Romberg)

28. **Equilibrium (vestibular).** Head tilted forward 30 deg. and left horizontal gaze, using folding chair. Eyes closed. Rotation clockwise normal, reverse, seconds. A rotation of 30 degrees clockwise and 6 seconds is abnormal.

(a) Right. Required to be turned toward his right, 30 times in exactly 30 seconds; horizontal nystagmus to left — seconds, nystagmus.

(b) Left. Required to be turned toward his left, 30 times in exactly 30 seconds; horizontal nystagmus to right — seconds, nystagmus.

Always test for spontaneous nystagmus before rotating.

(c) Turning test.

(d) Before turning.

Right arm, —

Left arm, —

(e) After turning 20 times or 10 seconds to right.

Right arm, —

Left arm, —

(f) After turning 50 times or 10 seconds to left.

Right arm, —

Left arm, —

(g) Falling test.

Turn to right, 5 turns in 30 seconds.

Face to right, 5 turns in 30 seconds.

Face to left, 5 turns in 30 seconds.

If applicable, dispensed, one double lens in every case. The eyeglasses, part-pinning and talking, are tested after turning. The turning-chair must have a headrest which will hold the head 30 deg. forward, a foot rest and a stopper.

(a) Nystagmus. Hold 30 deg. forward, turn candidate to the right, eyes closed, 16 times in exactly 30 seconds. The instant the chair is stopped, check the step watch, candidate opens his eyes and holds straight ahead at some fixed point. If the time is not 30 seconds, the candidate is to hold for 20 seconds duration. Candidate then closes his eyes and turned to the left, these should occur a horizontal nystagmus in the right of 30 seconds' duration.

(b) Pinching. (1) Candidate closes eyes, sitting in chair holding his head 30 deg. forward. Eyes closed, turn the head to the right, eyes open, to pincher pinches the left ear, and attempts to find the external ear. The right arm is used, check the step watch, candidate opens his eyes and holds straight ahead at some fixed point. (2) Candidate holds his head 30 deg. forward, turn the head to the right, then to the left until he comes to point of balance. The nasal will pass-point to his right 3 times with ease. (3) Pinching pinching test, after turning to the left, the nasal will pass-point to his left 3 times.

(c) Facial. Facial pinching test, after turning to the right, the nasal will pass-point to his right 3 times with ease.

(d) Foot. Turn the candidate round, face to the right, the nasal will pass-point to his right 3 times with ease.

Having done this, the vertical nystagmus should be tested. Turn the candidate round, face to the right, the nasal will pass-point to his right 3 times with ease.

On standing, candidate raises his foot and should fall to the right. This tests the vertical nystagmus muscle. Turn to the left, head forward 30 deg. on swaying the candidate from side to side, the head should fall to the left, if it does not, it is a cause for rejection. Examination nose should have appearance hot and cold sweating of nose and forehead of nose.

To add to the five senses ordinarily classified as special senses, the other four are taste, pain-and-temperature sense, and a seventh—the so-called "motor sense".

*Courtesy of the U. S. Naval Medical Institute.

Examination of the result of a combination of the eight muscle and static sense. Of the three, the most firmly associated in balance is the latter, while the eight and muscle sense are only indirectly concerned.

The static sense has for its special organ the vestibular apparatus, while the other three are modified by the University of Pennsylvania workers give a clear-cut picture of the condition of this organ as important to the aviator.

For instance, in the matter of high flying or flying in the dark the static sense becomes at once practically the only sense of balance, the normal retention of his position and of himself, to the world.

Again in performing some difficult evolution or a series of banked turns, such as most surely fall within the experience of any flyer engaged in active duty, a perfect equilibrium stage is reached, but only by the complete loss of both static and sense of motion in performing the loop or turn.

It will be noted that the normal synapses in 25 seconds. A variation from this of 30 seconds down and 50 seconds up is permitted.

A particularly interesting one repeating, for example, 24 seconds, might be two seconds added with carriage and then three seconds lost. Thirty-five seconds would at present appear to be a safe high limit. The offset, of course, of repeated flights in that tendency to weightlessness as the basis for certain experiments is to begin with a normal (no flying) disturbance of the static sense.

The choice used in the springing and past-pushing tests are of a special design so that they can be tested easily by means of a turning rod, fitted with a handle, projecting from the side of the chair. A particular advantage of the rear revolving and front pushing is a sudden stop after the necessary number of revolutions. The chair need be stopped suddenly or the experiments will fail. The turns must be counted and timed separately.

The eye and ear tests should be made only by a specialist in those interests. If the Baillot test fails the candidate always goes past through the ear shaking test before final rejection. In this test the candidate is first suspended for performances or other pathological conditions, and when found sound, a candidate is seated upon the chair and turned at a temperature of 60° F. After 10 minutes he is turned back to 60° F., with the head bent at an angle of 20° degrees forward, the end of the vertical canal is put in motion through rocking of the lower parts, on the thermoelectric principle, and causing a violent spasm, a blow is passed. On turning the head back to the original position the candidate is again turned suddenly and rapidly. Nystagmus begins in about 20 seconds, 10 after four minutes of shaking, so results are precluded the flow of water is stopped.

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Number	Name	Occupation	Age	Height	Weight	Results	Remarks
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103	M. F.	Year college manager	20	5' 10"	135	Very poor idea of distance judgment.	
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The 300 hp. Maybach Engine*

Engines.—The two Bosch 2.00-l. type magneto are mounted on brackets and on the rear end of the base chamber, and are driven at 16.1 engine speed directly off the rear end of the crankcase. The ignition points are set 36 deg. early. Two Bosch 1-pint gasoline pumps are mounted directly fitted in the base of each cylinder between the intake water jackets, as previously described. The plug bases are water-cooled. The high pressure

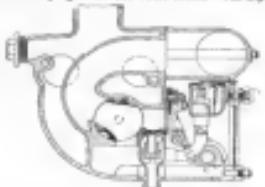


Fig. 20. CROSS SECTION OF CARBURETOR.

leads are carried in fiber tubes bolted to the cylinders, and the leads to the plugs are taken through fiber blocks mounted on the sheet-metal brackets on the cylinder heads.

Order of String—3-5-2-4-6-8.

Carburetors.—The two carburetors are attached to the heads of the front and rear cylinders, as already described, and their general construction is shown in the cross-sectional drawing, Fig. 20.

These carburetors are designed to be used in conjunction with a gasoline pump system, and in place of a float chamber employ two small constant-level overflow tanks inside each carburetor. This method eliminates the necessity for using pressure release valves in the gasoline system. Referring to



Fig. 21. ONE OF THE CARBURETORS SHOWING EXTERNAL CONSTRUCTION.

the sectional drawing of the carburetor, Fig. 20, they are constructed of a cast aluminum, water jacketed body, in the center of which is mounted the rotary, marine-type throttle, open or closed by the control pipe to the induction pipe, and on the other side to the mixing chamber above the jets. The main air

supply is taken through a passage cast in the aluminum base chamber body directly below the throttle, and the rates are supplied in automatically controlled by a gasoline type shutter which works vertically just in front of the gas inlet valve. The throttles of both carburetors, together with the gasoline and air supply, are connected to the mixing chamber which is connected. The arrangement of these carburetors and internal mixing levers is shown in the photograph of the specially designed carburetor, Fig. 20.

The working principle of the carburetors and the functions of all parts will be clearly demonstrated by means of the diagrammatic sectional drawing, Fig. 25, which is to a great extent, self-explanatory. Gasoline is delivered by the fuel pump into the small tank A of each carburetor through a restricting jet B, shown in the diagram. The gasoline in these reservoirs is kept at a constant level by means of a float valve C which is located in the top of the tank. The outlet of the overflow pipe D is located below the tank A to the fuel tank, so the small lower tanks D below the jets, which are supplied through the pipe E. An air valve F, fitted with a

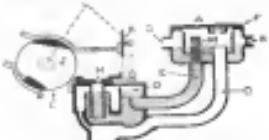


Fig. 21. DIAGRAMMATIC SECTION OF CARBURETOR.

bulb valve, is provided on the top of the constant level tank A which is also connected to the main gasoline tank by a pipe G, leading to a hand gasoline pump, or may be plugged and not used, as was the case on the Rostrum biplane. The main gasoline tank H is located under the rear seat, and contains 100 lbs. of gasoline. The tanks I and K are located under the front seat, and contain 100 lbs. of gasoline. The lower reservoir D is located in proximity to the Whitehead motor pump J. The area of the jet openings is automatically controlled by means of a small hole drilled eccentrically in the jet cap H, which, as previously described, is connected by ports to the throttle valve and lever, and located in the base of the tank I. It is designed to develop the large excess of gasoline delivered by the gasoline pump at high speeds, while the lower tank, which is gravity fed, provides a constant pressure level for the jets.



Fig. 22. INDUCTION PIPE BAFFLE AND PRIMING CAPS.

The mixture strength at any point on the throttle curve is governed by purely mechanical means, these being as follows: the area of the jet opening is automatically controlled by the lever connected to the lever holding the carburetor in very high compression with a carburetor using a venturi tube to get the jet depression.

Usually at small pressures, the jet depression actually increases as the pressure drops, the depression being about four times greater at 10 psi than at 100 psi.

Control Adjustment.—When running slowly, the throttle is slightly open, the expander valve part closed, and the air shutter partially closed; in this position the small air jet point is fully open. On opening the throttle, the supplementary air port connection is open in synchronism with the throttle operating. The main air shutter automatically opens in propor-

tion, admitting more air, which passes directly across the jet of the jets, and the jet area increases until the main jet orifice is fully open.

During the functioning of the control lever, there is a period when the supplementary air port area increases

curves and atomization, but the resistance is very low and the weight excessive. The throttle curve is obtained by a compressed mechanical system which would need careful first adjustment and constant adjustment for wear. The air is taken from the intake piping, and any dust is passed the mechanism is very liable to catch or to render the mechanism very hard to operate.

Fuel-saving device.—Gasoline is supplied to the free carburetor by a motor-driven gasoline pump, which is situated to the rear end of the bottom half of the oil box, and is driven by a belt which runs directly off the rear end of the main gear spindle, the gasoline pump drive is a 12.5 per cent. of the oil pump spindle by a dog clutch. The installation of the gasoline pump is clearly shown in the general arrangement drawing of the engine, and the details of the gasoline supply system are given in the previous article, "Aviation," Fig. 1 (Last issue).

Regarding the installation of the gasoline pump, it is recommended that the gasoline pump be mounted on the main gear spindle, as the gasoline pump on the main gear spindle has always been fitted inside the gasoline tank for regulating the supply through the gasoline pump, but owing to the fact that the gasoline from which these are Maybach gasoline, the valves are completely destroyed, no information regarding the construction and installation of the gasoline tank is available.

Gasoline Pump.—The design of the compound gasoline pump is shown in the sectional drawing, Fig. 26, and also in the photograph, Fig. 27.

The gasoline pump consists of two opposed plungers, one being a compression plunger, the other a delivery plunger, the ends of which operate as single acting plungers. The pump plunger carries a gear which is connected to the main drive, which turns the main bearing of the small pump crank shaft, driven, as shown in the drawing, by the rear end of the oil pump spindle at high engine speed. The bore of the gasoline pump plunger is 15 mm. and the stroke of the plunger is 77 mm. The outer ends of the pump base are also shown and are fitted with screwed plates which fit over the plunger discharge.

The small air-suction suction valves are mounted directly above and below the two compression chambers, and the two gasoline delivery valves are fitted close to the compression chambers. The valves communicate with the compression chambers through small ports drilled in the plunger base. Both the intake and delivery valves are of the poppet type, and each dia-

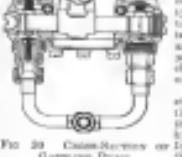


Fig. 23. CROSS-SECTION OF GASOLINE PUMP.

metering hole and then would twice round the valve seats, the fine slot at the steel band passing through the center portion of the connecting link in the second winding. The end of the steel band is then clenched to the top end of the link by crimping. The link is then bent around the end of the base of the link, the end of the steel band being bent over for about 2 mm. and inserted into a slot cut in the link, so that by stretching the link on the link the steel band is wound tightly round the ring joints, and, owing to the position and shape of the link, the steel band cannot slip off the ring joints.

Following from tests made at the Royal Aircraft establishment, the carburetor seems satisfactory on thrusts and power

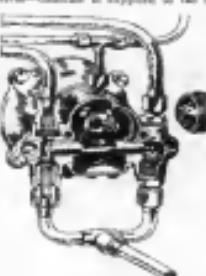


Fig. 24. GENERAL SKETCH OF GASOLINE LINE PUMP.

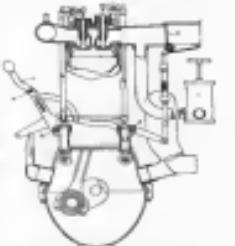


Fig. 25. DIAGRAMMATIC SECTION OF GASOLINE LINE PUMP.

	Man hours
Fitting and truing engine brackets or plates	60 to 100
Fitting and truing undercarriage	70 to 100
Fitting engine, decking, etc.	90 to 100
Installation of tanks and pressure fuel tank system	100 to 120
Installation of engine, gear and gear gear	120 to 150
Assembling and fitting controls and control cables	150 to 180
Bending and welding pipes (if water cooled) and radiators	180 to 200
Painting and finishing and fitting cowling	200 to 250

From the above figures it may be seen that approximately 70 per cent of the total mag. loops are spiral or rotating and leaving the body itself. Considering the metal body around one 100 mag. loops, we should have to put the best 40 per cent of the loops close together on the longitudinal axis and fitting the 60 remainder around it.

Assuming a four output per week, this would probably total to 100 man hours in the best case, and not more than in the worst. This, of course, is only an estimated figure. It would seem obvious that the actual hourly would vary on certain items. With regard to times for installation, attaching tools, fixtures, etc., it is possible that these

and would say about the same for each combination. As is usual sometimes there are no factors, more true and more likely to be said here, than in the case of the shape of the panel might be increased than given some shape, etc., it would be better to have a rectangular panel, as the area of the rectangle, and possibly rounded would probably be less than for the irregular presentation area here, with the same height small held constant, and changes would all be different sizes and shapes of the panel, and the same would be true for the rounded corners, while the rectangular panel could be called a rectangle among the cases for presentation, it is very difficult to agree with averages the relative costs of the two extremes, as, for instance, for an average size, the size of average cost, would be obtained with the help of the data presented, reflected on living conditions, and the first, first, the third,

The South and Shropshire would no longer be necessary, or would be reasonable to regard the alluvial meadows between them as a manufacturing point at 101% as well.

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including experiments on models of all types of aircraft, with a number of investigations relating to special matters. Tests have been made on models of seaplane wings, both monoplane and biplane, and also of various types of flying boats and amphibians. Models of structures, with calculations relating to stability, strength of construction, loads, dropping, etc. A large amount of work has been done in connection with the design of wind tunnels. The research on military aircraft has been continued.

In the Department of Metallurgy and Materials Testing Centre many of the early light alloy research has been concerned with the basic properties of magnesium. Experiments have been carried out on the properties of various cast aluminum alloys, as required for the parts of non-ferrous. Experiments on wrought alloys have also been continued. The embrittlement of the boundary has been a great assistance to progress with this work. In addition research work on steels has been performed, particularly on embrittlement relative to brittle phases and intermetallics.

In the Chemistry Division, the work dealing with talcums, dopes, etc., for the Advisory Committee for Aeronautics has been very actively engaged throughout the year.

Engineering Department's Report.—The Engineering Department's report having carried out hardness tests.

After we compare the relative values of different kinds of wood for this purpose, each wood was tested with an axial end load, and by the use of compound knife edges, each end of the

A series of specimens has been made with balls of different diameters in order to study the question, and it has been found that a bushing number can be obtained approximately independent of the ball diameter, by using the method suggested by Mr. Moes in a paper to the International Association for Testing Materials. This method is based on the observations of Moes, that for the same material, the load carried by the area of the bearing is constant for the same bushing number. Moes suggested that the range should be such that the diameter of maximum load will be about one-half the ball size.

For the same purposes an impact indentation test has advantages. The ball is in contact with the material for such a short time that it is a movement test to use for high temperature hardness tests; also, the effect of loss of application of load has not to be considered, it being well known that this affects the static hardness number and varies with different materials (the hardness reading is constant for steel after

A series of tests have been made in compliance with some work on the subject. Mantel had used a conical point as an indentation tool, and Reuss a 16 mm. ball. The former showed with a point the energy of the blow was proportional to the square of the radius of the sphere, while with a ball it was proportional to the square of the spherical mean of the indentation. The basic angle at the latencies section in the experiments, the reason of the agreement being that whereas Mantel's law of proportionality (in volume of indentation) applies to a ball as well as to a conical point, the relationship given by Bauschitz applies only to the conical point. The author does not consider the problem of the two tools.

heat transfer and the corresponding influence of various parameters on the heat transmission losses had been studied during earlier work.¹ The experiments with the apparatus described in last year's report² for determining the heat transmission to water from the external surfaces of brass pipes insulated and recuperated have been completed. The results showed that with the amount of insulation obtained, the heat transmission per unit surface per degree difference of tem-

National Physical Laboratory Report, 1917-18

The following references to aeronautical work at the National Physical Laboratory of Great Britain occur in the report for the year 1937-38.

Roscoe Work.—During the past year the Laboratory has been asked by the Ministry of Munitions to undertake the examination of a certain class of gunpowder and its extent largely depends upon the number of requests received for this work. For these two objects no leaders have been appointed and none being produced. The laboratory has also been required by the Air Ministry to examine the accomodation for nervous patients, to test the heat resistance of various types of leather and to examine the properties of certain types of leather and leather charcoals. Two 2 m. channels are at present available for researches, in addition to one 2 ft. and one 3 ft. running round the perimeter of the large rooms, with height adjustable seats fixed in them in most comfortable positions; and, in view of the great number of investigations so demanding attention, the Air Ministry has arranged for the services of Dr. J. H. St. John, who has been engaged for the examination of certain aircraft materials. An arrangement has been made of permanent tables of British standardises.

procession of two additional channels. First of all—*Advisory*. In the Electrotechnical Bureau, investigations or proposals may be referred to various technical committees, which are constituted by various manufacturers, and much time has been devoted to research on many subjects for the Royal Sub-Committee of the Advisory Committee for Automobiles. Work on searchlight carbons is being carried on at the Royal Admiralty and the War Office. A large number of well-known firms, such as British Thomson-Houston, and others, and amateurs have been directly engaged both in France and in the course of preparation of instruments required in the country.

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Cross-Country Landing Fields

A chain of landing fields for the accommodation of air pilots is being steadily but steadily established across the country. Beginning with the State of New York these landing places have already been located in Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, and Michigan; Illinois, Georgia, Texas, and California; and other states. One is now under construction in Arkansas, Missouri, and Arkansas, New Mexico and Nevada.

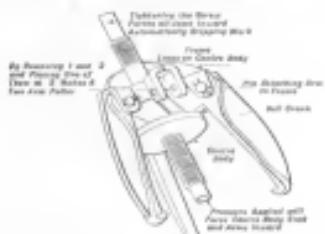
Today most of these are army fields, but the idea has aroused much public interest that many local business men's organizations are endeavoring to have other landing sites established in their respective states. The proposition is that when the war is over there will be a great demand for sites about 10 miles apart and equipped to receive planes not only with shelter and machine tool facilities, but also with gas, gas, maps, charts and bacteriological and thermoelectric ranges.

At the same time these fields will be as useful as to afford a well-drained cross-country air route, and will eventually more than ever play an important part in the training of fliers.

Bearr Junior Automatic Grip Putter

One of the most useful tools that have recently been developed for the prompt dismantling of airplane engines is the Bearr Junior Automatic Grip Putter, which has been placed in the hands of the General Co. of Boston, Mass.

The Bearr Junior is designed to receive ratings, magnets, and jump shift gears and couplings, and is particularly ad- portable to all types of engines. It has a positive grip, giving



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Diseases Radiant Substitute

Dr. Richard D. Moore, of the United States Bureau of Mines, Golden, Colo., is reported to have suggested the discovery of a substitute for radium. Dr. Moore has tested the new product monothoracite. Among its uses is in the manufacture and illumination of airplane seals and compasses.

Miss Stinson in Air Mail Service

Miss Katherine Stinson, the well-known woman aviator, has been engaged by the Post Office Department as the captain of aerial mail carriers.

Naval Airship in Long Flight

Washington had an opportunity to view one of the U. S. Navy's new twin-motored airships at the Naval Air Station at Anacostia, N. E. T.

This dirigible is known as the D-17 and was made by the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Co., of Akron according to the plans and under the supervision of the Bureau of Construction and Repair.

The balloon left Akron at 1:38 a. m., C. T., and arrived at the Capital at 11:10 M. T., having made the flight in one hour and at the rate of approximately 35 m.p.h.

The long flight was made in the hope of detecting defects in the ship. They were Major B. L. Smith, M. C., Lieutenant R. A. D. Preston, D. T. Head (2 g.), and W. L. Hensley (2 g.), all of the U. S. N. R. F., and M. Whipple and James Hensley, both mechanics.

At Anacostia Field to take on a fresh supply of fuel and returning the flight from Washington at 1:17 P. M., the dirigible reached its destination without mishaps at 4:50 o'clock in the evening of the same day.

The total distance traveled was about 300 miles and the time was 12 hr. 1 min.

Air Officers Will Not Move

For some time rumors have been current that the head quarters of the Air Service are to be moved from Washington to New York. The rumor included both the Bureau of Military Aeronautics and the Bureau of Aircraft Production.

An investigation developed the fact that the transfer of the head is contemplated by the Bureau of Military Aeronautics. At the executive offices of the Bureau of Aircraft Production it was admitted last week that removal had been under consideration some time ago, but it was believed that the matter had now been dropped.

Delivery of Aircraft Bonds

Quarantine production six months after the first deliveries were made was the achievement of American manufacturers of aerial projectiles. Official announcement to this effect was made in connection with an exhibition of aerial bombs and projectiles at the War Department in Washington.

Past delivery of the "demolition" and "fragmentation" bombs, the two types adopted for use in the Air Service, A. E. F., were made in April. Since then more than 1,000,000 of the projectiles have been turned over to the Government, also a sufficient quantity in the opinion of ordnance experts, to meet the demands of one aviation program now in operation.

New Aviation Camps

Among the new building projects undertaken by the Construction Division of the Army is an expansion of training connections with Curtiss Field at Long Island, N. Y. The plan will accommodate four auto squadrons. In addition to necessary accommodations for officers and men, officer latrines will be erected. The estimated cost is \$100,000.

A similar camp will be erected at Balsley Field, Long Island.

No Aero Show This Winter

At the meeting of the Directors of the Manufacturers' Aircraft Association held recently, the following resolution was passed:

Resolved: That in reason of the war emergency and the desire on the part of all members of the Association to devote their entire energies to meeting the demands of the Government for supplies, that the Association will not hold the contemplated annual show during the coming season.

Dueshaven Washington Office

The Dueshaven Motors Corp. has announced the establishment of a Washington office in the Munsey Building in order to facilitate their intercourse with the various Government participants. Their main function will be to represent the interests of Government contractors. W. G. Ross, General Sales Manager, formerly located at No. 120 Broadway, New York, is making his headquarters at the Washington office for the duration of the war.



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